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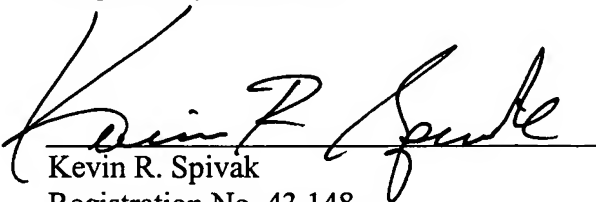
Amendments to the specification have been made and are submitted herewith in the attached Substitute Specification. We have included both a clean copy of the specification and a marked-up version showing the changes made. The claims and abstract have been amended herewith in the Preliminary Amendment. All amendments have been made to place the application in proper U.S. format and to conform with proper grammatical and idiomatic English. None of the amendments herein are made for reasons related to patentability. No new matter has been added.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with markings to show changes made".

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Respectfully submitted,

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

For the convenience of the Examiner, the changes made are shown below with deleted text in strikethrough and added text in underline.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-9.

Please add new claims 10-14 as follows:

10. (New) A communications controller for communication operations which arrive at a terminal device for telephony over Internet protocol, comprising:
a device which compares a received identification of a calling subscriber with corresponding entries of a communication partner file of a called subscriber,
the device provides a procedure to handle the incoming call in the communication partner file if the calling subscriber is recognized as a communication partner included in the communication partner file, and
if the calling subscriber is not recognized as included in the communication partner file, the device provides a procedure to handle the incoming call.
11. (New) The communications controller as claimed in claim 1, wherein the communications controller is located in the terminal device.
12. (New) The communications controller as claimed in claim 1, wherein the communications controller is located in another device which is assigned to an IP network and which the terminal device for telephony over Internet protocol is configured for connection.
13. (New) The communications controller as claimed in claim 3, the device assigned to an IP network being a proxy module with a representative function for the terminal devices for telephony over Internet protocol which is configured for connection to the IP network.
14. (New) A method of controlling communication operations which arrive at a terminal device for telephony over Internet protocol, comprising:

comparing a received identification of a calling subscriber with corresponding entries of a communication partner file of a called subscriber; and

providing a procedure to handle the incoming call in the communication partner file if the calling subscriber is recognized as a communication partner included in the communication partner file, and

if the calling subscriber is not recognized as included in the communication partner file, providing a procedure to handle the incoming call.

In the Abstract:

Please replace the Abstract with the substitute Abstract attached hereto.

COMMUNICATIONS CONTROLLER FOR COMMUNICATION WITH TELEPHONY OVER INTERNET PROTOCOL

Abstract

A communications controller for communication operations which arrive at a terminal device for telephony over Internet protocol. The communications controller includes a device which, with each incoming call, compares a received identification of the calling subscriber with entries of a communication partner file of the called subscriber, which arranges for a procedure for handling the incoming call that is stored in this file to be implemented, and which, if the calling subscriber is not recognized as included in the communication partner file, arranges for a procedure for handling the incoming call that is provided for this case to be implemented.